

# St John's Malone

## Trinity 12 (Proper 16)

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### The Gathering of God's People

#### THE GREETING

The Lord be with you **and also with you**

**Welcome** *A sentence of scripture may be read (see pages 78-82),  
and the presiding minister may introduce the liturgy of the day.*

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,  
**to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden;  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,**

**and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **PENITENCE**

***The Confession is introduced with appropriate words:***

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

My friends, as we prepare to celebrate these holy mysteries in word and sacrament, let us call to mind our sins and our need of God's forgiveness.

*Please sit or kneel*

### ***Silence***

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned in thought and word and deed,  
and in what we have left undone.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may walk in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

***The priest pronounces the Absolution:***

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you,  
+pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray  
and to give more than either we desire, or deserve:  
Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid,  
and giving us those good things  
which we are not worthy to ask  
save through the merits and mediation  
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

## Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

*An Old Testament reading may be read*

## READING

### **Ephesians 6: 10-20**

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these,\* take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **THE GRADUAL**

**Gradual Hymn 398 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus** *Members of the congregation stand and sing quietly, behind their face masks.*

## THE GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ,  
according to John chapter 6 beginning at verse 59

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **John 6: 56-69**

<sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' <sup>59</sup>He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup>And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

<sup>66</sup>Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup>We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## THE SERMON

### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,  
**the Father, the Almighty,**  
**maker of heaven and earth,**  
**of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**  
**the only Son of God,**  
**eternally begotten of the Father,**  
**God from God, Light from Light,**  
**true God from true God,**  
**begotten, not made,**  
**of one Being with the Father.**  
**Through him all things were made.**  
**For us and for our salvation**  
**he came down from heaven,**  
**was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,**  
**and was made man.**  
**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**  
**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**  
**in accordance with the Scriptures**  
**he ascended into heaven**  
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**  
**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**  
**the Lord, the giver of life,**  
**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**  
**who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,**  
**who has spoken through the prophets.**  
**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

Lord, in your mercy:            or    Lord, hear us:  
**hear our prayer.                    Lord, Graciously hear us.** Or  
another versicle or response is used.

*At the end of the Intercessions the following may be used when appropriate:*  
**Merciful Father, accept these our prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**            *or other suitable words*

### **THE PEACE**

***The presiding minister introduces the Peace with suitable words:***

*Sentence*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*Those joining the service from home or elsewhere are invited to share the Peace with those next to them. In church you may like to bow or verbally express peace.*

### **ORGAN INTERLUDE**

#### **Celebrating at the Lord's Table**

***The table may be prepared by a deacon or lay people.***

***The gifts of money may be left on the alms dish on the table when leaving the building at the north door.***

## AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*The bread and wine shall be placed on the table for the communion if this has not already been done and a prayer may be said*

*Prayer of Preparation*

## THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

*All Stand*

*The bishop or priest takes the bread and wine and may say*

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us  
**therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### Prayer 1

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Father, almighty and everliving God,  
at all times and in all places  
it is right to give you thanks and praise:

And so with all your people,  
with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:



**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

Blessed are you, Father,  
the creator and sustainer of all things;  
you made us in your own image,  
male and female you created us;  
even when we turned away from you,  
you never ceased to care for us,  
but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,  
giving your only begotten Son to become man  
and suffer death on the cross to redeem us;  
he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world:  
he instituted,  
and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of his precious death  
until he comes again:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;  
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,  
this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup;  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you,  
for this is my blood of the new covenant  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup  
we do as Christ your Son commanded:

**we remember his passion and death,  
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,  
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,  
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit  
that we may be made one in your holy Church  
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,  
that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*The presiding minister says*

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

*All kneel*

**Our Father, who art in heaven:  
Hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

***The presiding minister (who may be assisted by the deacon)  
breaks the consecrated bread in preparation for the  
Communion***

The bread which we break  
is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.**

***The following anthem may be said or sung after the Breaking  
of the Bread or during the Communion***

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

### **Words of Invitation**

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you,  
preserve your body and soul to eternal life.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which was shed for you,  
preserve your body and soul to eternal life.

***Holy Communion will be administered in one kind in your  
pew. You may sit to receive. Please leave your mask on  
until the priest has moved away. Holy Communion will be  
administered in the nave first, followed by those in the  
north transept and side chapel.***

**THE COMMUNION** *for those who will not be receiving the  
sacrament at this time the following may be said privately*

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen. ~after the *Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

## THE GREAT SILENCE

**Hymn 488 Stand up, stand up for Jesus** *Members of the congregation stand to sing quietly, behind their face masks.*

## Going Out as God's People

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of compassion,  
in this eucharist we know again your forgiveness  
and the healing power of your love.  
Grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that forgiveness and healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All say*

Almighty God,  
**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the  
body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we  
offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out [*Strengthen us*] in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

DISMISSAL

*The presiding minister says the seasonal blessing,*

**BLESSING**

...and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord **in the name of Christ.**  
**Amen.**

## **Organ Voluntary**

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*Please wait in your pew until directed to leave by the stewards. The exit is via the north porch in the one way system. **The alms dish and worship sheet deposit box are on the way out on the table in the north transept.** You may like to tear off the Track & Trace sheet and take the Worship Sheet part home.*

## **READINGS:**

**Ephesians 6:10-20**: The apostle encourages the Ephesian believers to recognise that their struggle is not against human beings, but against spiritual forces of evil, and in order to stay strong they need to put on God's armour and remain faithful in prayer. Then he asks them to pray for him as he seeks to spread the Gospel.

**John 6:56-69**: Jesus proclaims that he is the bread that came down from heaven, and that whoever eats his flesh and drinks his blood will remain in Christ and Christ in them. Then many disciples grumble and even start leaving, but when Jesus asks the twelve if they want to go too, Peter answers that they have nowhere else to go, because Jesus has the words of eternal life.

## **REFLECTIONS ON THEME:**

This week is all about choices. On the one hand there is the choice to abandon our devotion to God and God's ways. In the Gospel, many of Jesus' followers find his call to be completely united with him – to believe that he is the source of life and to take him into their beings (eating his flesh and drinking his blood) – too much to handle and they abandon Jesus. But, his disciples, although they may be feeling like they want to go, recognise that life is found in

Christ and so remain faithful. In the Old Testament related reading, Joshua calls the people to choose where they will put their devotion, while making his own commitment to God clear and public.

Linked with our choice to follow Jesus there is a call to prayer in this week's Lectionary. In the famous passage from Ephesians, Paul calls the believers to prepare themselves for the attacks of evil by putting on God's armour (making a choice to stay faithful), and he calls them to prayer for themselves and for him as he seeks to spread the Gospel. The theme this week is simple and clear: everyday we will be faced with the choice to remain faithful to Christ or to turn away, and we will need the intimacy with God that comes through prayer and through sharing in the life of Christ to remain true to our calling. In a world where religion is being questioned and falling out of fashion, and in which many parts of the Church are in decline, this choice, and the call to prayer, are as important as ever. *Sacredise*.

### **Notices:**

- Welcome to all our visitors. If you need assistance with anything, please ask one of the churchwardens or stewards
- Toilets are available for use. Follow the one way system to use them. Please leave them as you'd wish to find them and take the necessary hand hygiene seriously, remembering to turn off the tap with a paper towel. The disinfectant spray supplied should be used on the toilet seat and flush handle after use.
- Under GDPR guidance we need to tell you that we will be recording the service and/or livestreaming today. The cameras will point towards the nave altar and pulpit and only on occasion, towards the entrance doors. Those coming to and

from the side areas and exiting will be in the camera view for a short time.

- Access to the suite of church halls is still limited. Contact the Rector before entering the halls or church and follow the necessary hygiene and cleansing precautions. For the purposes of tracking and tracing complete the register in the white files provided in each hall thank you.

*A reminder about some of our in-church worship protocols throughout the summer period:*

- Please remain in your seat that has been assigned to you unless it's absolutely necessary to move out of it.
- **A one way system remains in place in church as does mandatory handwashing at the cleansing stations on entry and exit. Masks are also worn during worship, on entry and exit and during singing. This keeps us safer and by doing this we look after our neighbour who may be more vulnerable than us.**
- Remember to fill in the pew number on the Track & Trace page on the reverse of the service sheet. You may tear this page off and leave it in the box on the way out whilst retaining your service sheet for reference during the week.
- Observe two metres spacing on the way in and out of church *and* inside church.
- If you display any of Covid19 related symptoms you should not come to church. Please observe government testing guidelines and isolation requirements.
- At the 9am service in the L'Estrange Hall we enter through the main church door at the car park. Exit through the fire doors where there will also be a cleansing station.
- If you're gathering outside please follow government guidance.
- All organisations please note: Magazine material including start dates for organisations should be with [magstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:magstjohns@gmail.com) by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August for inclusion.

# WORSHIP

*Trinity XII 22.8.21 | Mattins 1 9.00am; The Eucharist 10.30am the service is livestreamed on & recorded for St John's Malone YouTube channel*

*Wednesday | ~~Compline on Zoom 7.30pm~~ We are taking a break from Zoom online Compline during July and August and it will resume in September*

*Thursday | Mid-week Holy Communion with prayer for those in need 10.30am*

*Trinity XIII | 30.8.21 | 9.00am Holy Communion (2); 10.30am The Eucharist*

The office is staffed by the temporary Office Administrator Brenda McMullen Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am-1pm Tel: 028 9066 7861/  
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## ~~ZOOM COMPLINE WEDNESDAYS~~

~~Our gatherings at Wednesday Compline will continue throughout Lockdown. Services are at 7.30pm. If you can't get in by clicking the link then use the ID and passcode. These will allow you to access Compline each Wednesday evening.~~

~~Access details are:-~~

~~Topic: **Compline** Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime~~

~~<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72307105870?pwd=V0ZscHZiNHlxL3I2RW NncEV5V0crdz09>~~

~~Meeting ID: 723 0710 5870 Passcode: 2qrfzq~~

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## ST JOHN'S SOCIAL MEDIA / WEB

**The link to livestreamed Sunday worship is given on Facebook Twitter and on the parish website**

- St John's has a Twitter page on **@malonestjohns** which carries up to date information on parish life and other religious and secular matters.
- 'St John's Malone' on **Facebook**
- Instagram: **worthy\_communicant**
- Website: [www.malone.connor.anglican.org](http://www.malone.connor.anglican.org)
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*At the end of the service please wait in your pew until directed to leave by the stewards. The exit is via the north porch in the one way system. **The alms dish and worship sheet deposit box are on the***

***way out on the table in the north transept. You may like to tear off the Track & Trace sheet and take the Worship Sheet part home. Connor Connections the diocesan magazine is available on the table on the way out. Please take a copy.***

Please PRINT your name and the names of any accompanying you today and supply a phone number to enable tracking and tracing. If you become ill with any symptoms of Covid19 *and are subsequently tested positive*, please contact the Rector as soon as possible and follow government guidelines. Deposit this sheet in the box in the porch on the way out. Thank you.

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PEW NUMBER(S) (FOUND AT THE PEW END):

DATE:

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**Note: Please leave directly from your pew in the church through the north porch as directed by the stewards whilst maintaining 2m distancing.**

***You may wish to tear off this page when completed and take this booklet away with you.***